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BOMB SCARE AT COURT

A police officer prepares a remote-controlled robot outside the Calgary Courts Centre on Wednesday morning. The robot entered the building later in the day and removed a suspicious package that a man tried to bring through security, prompting an evacuation of the major downtown courthouse. Story, page 3. ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO

Province to fund nine new city schools

Countdown begins.

Aim is to open public, Catholic and francophone schools no later than 2016

Nine schools housing more than 7,500 kids are on the way for Calgary, the province has pledged.

On Wednesday, the Alberta government pulled the veil off long-awaited capital announcements for the city.

The Calgary Board of Education will receive funding for three kindergarten to Grade 4 schools in Copperfield, Evanston and New Brighton, as well as middle schools in Saddle Ridge and Royal Oak. A high school that serves the northeast will partner with nearby recreational facilities in what the province has called a "com-

munity hub" concept.

The Calgary Catholic School District will see its two top-priority schools given the go-ahead — both will house kindergarten to Grade 9 students and be located in the communities of Auburn Bay and Evanston.

The local Francophone Ecole La Mosaïque school will be replaced with a new building.

The province aims to throw the doors open at all nine locations no later than 2016 and officials said Wednesday's announcement was only a "first bundle" of schools as it works to fulfil an election pledge to open 50 new buildings and modernize another 75 across the province.

"We will never apologize for investing in a better and stronger province," Premier Alison Redford told a crowd gathered in the northeast Wednesday.

Schools were also announced in northern, central and southern Alberta on Monday and Tuesday, and another few were expected to be approved in Edmonton Thursday. In all, the province says it will dedicate \$503 million to new schools over three years and will use a "mix" of funding models, including the public-private partnership approach.

But while trustee chairs with Calgary's major school boards expressed gratitude for the schools given the green light, both conceded much work remains to accommodate steadily growing student populations.

"I think we're always in advocacy mode — today, we just stopped to celebrate," said CBE chair Pat Cochrane.

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Education

Catholic district's budget outlook appears good

As part of a repeatedly touted "good-news" budget in tough times, Calgary's Catholic schools will hold the line on teaching positions and rely a great deal on reserve funds to narrow a \$7.4-million shortfall.

The district will also protect its English Language Learners — who make up more than 20 per cent of nearly 51,000 enrolled students — despite a cut to provincial funding of more than \$3 million, said CFO John Deausy.

Trustee chair Mary Martin repeatedly expressed relief over the district's financial position, given that pledges for provincial funding increases to the tune of two per cent were removed as the ruling Tories struggled to close a \$6-billion operating gap in this year's budget.

"I think what you can tell them (parents) is that, despite a tough economic climate provincially, they can be assured their kids will get a top-notch education," she said.

The district's initial budget report, laid out to elected trustees at a meeting Wednesday, appeared far cheerier than a tough financial outlook presented by executives with the Calgary Board of Education last month. The larger public board is contending with a \$62-million budget shortfall and will cut high school funding by 11 per cent in response.

The Catholic district will lose 17 full-time positions — primarily in curriculum-leader roles — due to the removal of Alberta Initiative for School Improvement funding, but Deausy said those staff members would be given different positions within the system.

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Liberal MLA Kent Hehr says Calgary motorists need to pay more attention to handicap signs at parking stalls so people like him can get around. METRO FILE

Handicapped parking violations revving up

Accessibility. Calgary Parking Authority issues new appeal to public to out illegal parkers, may turn to online reporting system



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Able-bodied Calgary motorists continue to set dubious records when it comes to parking their rides in spaces clearly designated for the handicapped.

According to the Calgary Parking Authority, more than

Penalty

- The fine for parking illegally in a handicap stall is \$200 if paid within 10 days, \$250 if paid within 30 days and \$300 after that.
- Calgarians can report a violator by calling 403-537-7100.

2,600 tickets have been issued this year to motorists who have no business parking in blue-marked stalls.

That number is on pace to break a record set last year despite an awareness and enforce-

ment campaign launched by parking officers in December.

Parking-authority head Troy McLeod has instructed one of his staff members to explore establishing a website to shame those ignoring the parking rules and allow his officers to better crack down on violators.

"We're seeing a trend in the wrong direction.... We're hoping we can improve education around accessible stalls and how critical they are for the people that need them," McLeod said, adding the authority will run two more awareness campaigns this summer and fall.

The rise in negligent parkers was met with particular

frustration from Calgary Liberal MLA Kent Hehr, who relies on a wheelchair to get around.

He says not only does pushing a wheelchair through a parking lot pose problems — especially if there are a few inches of snow on the ground — but accessible vehicles also require more room for wheelchair ramps to operate properly.

"It happens at least three times a week where I see an individual who doesn't have a disabled-parking pass in one of those stalls," Hehr said. "People say, 'Oh my, there's nowhere to park, I'm only going to be two minutes ... it won't bother anybody.' The simple fact of the matter is it does."

Calgary Courts Centre. Bomb scare spurs evacuation



Alberta sheriffs establish a perimeter around the Calgary Courts Centre Wednesday morning. METRO

Alberta sheriffs evacuated the Calgary Courts Centre and surrounding area Wednesday morning after becoming suspicious of an item in a bag that a man tried to bring into the secure downtown building.

"When they put the bag through the screening device, there was a suspicious item located in the bag," Calgary police spokesman Kevin Brookwell said.

When sheriffs questioned the man there was "some inconsistency" in his answers, Brookwell added, "enough that the sheriffs took this gentleman into custody."

The bag remained in the X-ray machine for hours as the evacuation took place and a police bomb squad was called in.

A remote-controlled robot successfully removed the bag from the building Wednesday

afternoon and it was taken away in a specialized transport vessel for further examination.

Police also cordoned off a vehicle parked at Marlborough Mall that investigators believe is associated with the suspect, Brookwell said. The suspect was in custody and being questioned as of Wednesday afternoon, he added.

Alberta Justice spokesperson Dan Laville said the

court reopened late in the afternoon and anyone who missed scheduled appearances on Wednesday should return at 9 a.m. Thursday and check the display monitors for new court times.

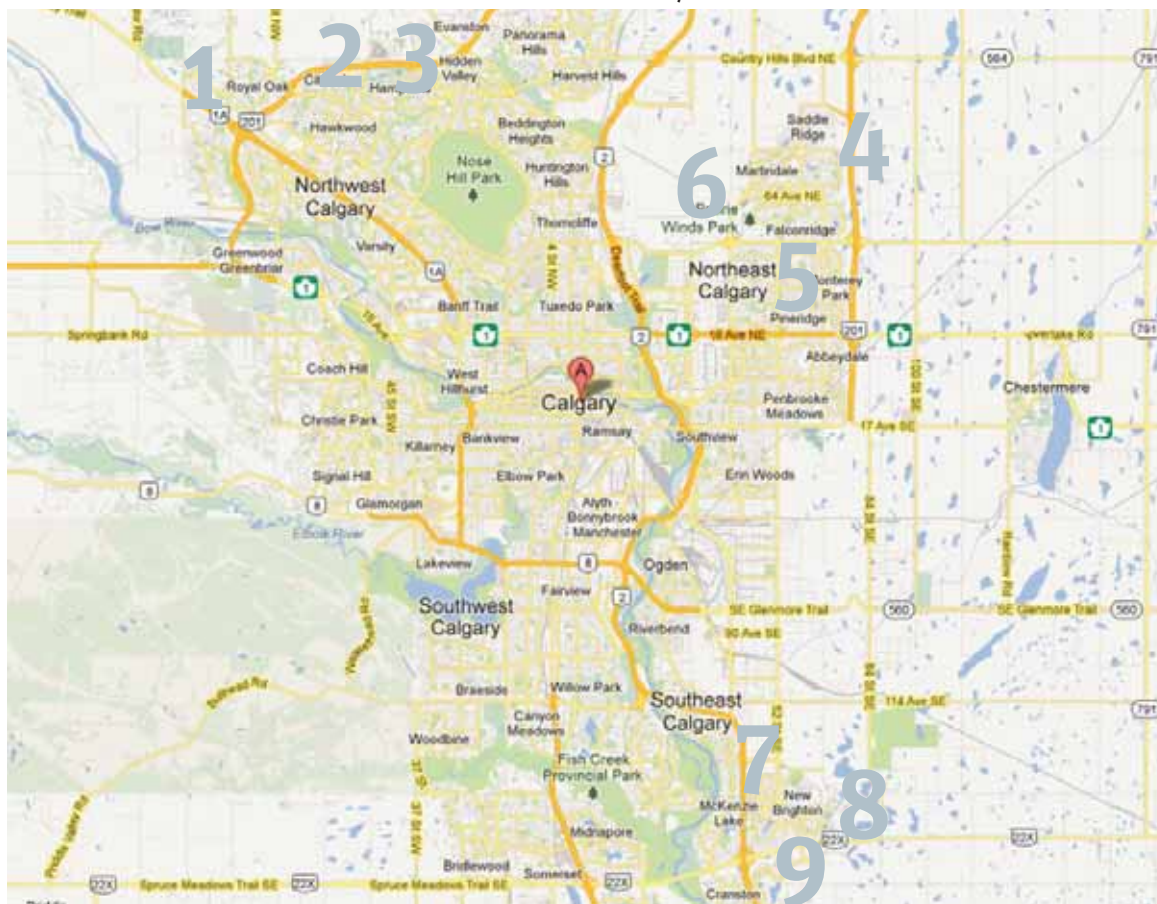
Laville said there is no apparent connection between the incident and the labour action involving jail guards and sheriffs that ended Tuesday night.

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Calgary's 9 new schools

Nine new schools were announced Wednesday. Here are a few more details on where they'll be, how many students will attend, and the school's estimated cost

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Community: Royal Oak/Rocky Ridge

Project type: Grade 5 to 9 school
School division: Calgary Board of Education
School board's estimated cost: \$26 million
Student capacity: 900

Community: Evanston

Project type: Kindergarten to Grade 9 school
School division: Calgary Catholic School District
School board's estimated cost: Originally \$12.4 million for K-6 school
Student capacity: 900

Community: Evanston

Project type: Kindergarten to Grade 4 school
School division: Calgary Board of Education
School board's estimated cost: \$14.5 million
Student capacity: 600

Community: Saddle Ridge

Project type: Grade 5 to 9 school
School division: Calgary Board of Education
School board's estimated cost: \$26 million
Student capacity: 900

Community: Martindale/Falconridge

Project type: Grade 10 to 12 school
School division: Calgary Board of Education
School board's estimated cost: \$50 million
Student capacity: 1,800

Community: Martindale

Project type: Kindergarten to Grade 6 replacement school
School division: Greater Southern Public Franco-phone Education Region
School board's estimated cost: Unknown
Student capacity: 350

Community: New Brighton

Project type: Kindergarten to Grade 4 school
School division: Calgary Board of Education
School board's estimated cost: \$14.5 million
Student capacity: 600

Community: Copperfield

Project type: Kindergarten to Grade 4 school
School division: Calgary Board of Education
School board's estimated cost: \$14.5 million
Student capacity: 600

Community: Auburn Bay

Project type: Kindergarten to Grade 9 school
School division: Calgary Catholic School District
School board's estimated cost: \$16.2 million
Student capacity: 900

Announcement 'bittersweet'

Need remains, trustee says

At least one Calgary public school trustee was left with questions following the provincial government's announcement it would soon turn sod on nine schools in the city.

Calgary Board of Education representative Carol Bazinet was quick to point out a middle school in Royal Oak was approved over a similar development to be shared between the communities of Copperfield and New Brighton despite the latter being ranked higher on the board's capital plan.

"Of course it's bitter-sweet," Bazinet said, noting both Copperfield and New Brighton will see elementary schools constructed. "The parents of those communities have been a little bit quieter; they have no less need. In fact, according to our own capital plan, they have a bit more need."

Parents in Royal Oak staged a rally in February calling for the new school and had received frequent support from area MLA Sandra Jansen, a member of the ruling Tory party.

JEREMY NOLAIS/METRO

Modernizations to be 'big part' of next announcement: Minister

Existing Calgary schools didn't receive a single penny from the province to modernize Wednesday, but the education minister said such projects will be "central" to a second funding announcement planned for this fall.

Jeff Johnson said his first priority was addressing new-school needs in fast-growing areas like Calgary's southeast.

"Now we'll be focusing on some of the modernizations

that are really important," he said.

According to its capital plan, the Calgary Board of Education is hoping most for funding to renovate the former Booth Centre homeless shelter it took over from the province and plans to turn into a new home for the adult-educating Chinook Learning Services.

Dollars for a career- and technology-focused renovation at Bowness High School and

Student population boom

The CBE estimates it will see 3,000 additional students enrol this fall and the Catholic board has said it's bringing in an extra 100 students per month on average.

sprucing-up of the Christine Meikle school for special-needs

students are also top priorities.

Still, communities that were a part of the announcement Wednesday were in the mood to celebrate.

Manjeet Kaur has three grandchildren that will likely attend the \$50-million north-east high school.

"This will be a place for the whole community to come together," she said.

But Mary Martin, trustee chair for the Calgary Catholic

School District, said there will still be urgent need for new schools even with Wednesday's announcement, which saw her organization receive funding for two new buildings.

"We do know it's a tough climate.... I would characterize it as us being deeply concerned," Martin said. "We are going to be extremely challenged to meet the needs of our kids."

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Premier Alison Redford took some time to read to Calgary kids at a northeast YMCA before announcing nine new schools for the city.

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City's 7th homicide. Man in custody after body found stabbed to death

One man has been taken into custody after another man was found dead inside a home in the northwest community of Thorncliffe.

Around 2 a.m. Wednesday, police received several 911 calls for a disturbance at a home in the 6400 block of Travois Place N.W.

Upon arriving at the scene, they found one man dead. An autopsy was conducted and police spokesperson Kevin Brookwell said it was determined the man died of stab wounds, making him the city's seventh homicide of 2013.

"There were some 911 calls of a disturbance that was happening there," said Brookwell.

Both the suspect and the victim lived in the same building, but Brookwell said it's unclear if they lived together and what their relationship to one another was.

"At this point, we know that they're known to each other ... but as far as motive or if we have the right indi-

Witnesses

Police are asking any possible witnesses to come forward.

- Those with any information about this incident are asked to call police at 403-266-1234 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

vidual in custody, we'll determine that once we interview this person."

Brookwell said several people in the building were questioned as well and investigators are working to determine if anyone may have witnessed the incident.

Neither the suspect nor the victim were known to police previously, according to Brookwell.

As of Wednesday afternoon, charges had yet to be laid.

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City takes over reins at Subway Soccer Centre



City staffers, from left, Greg Steinrath and Thomas Hansen were on hand as the city took control of the Subway Soccer Centre Wednesday. KATIE TURNER/METRO

Sponsors. Officials say they're working to retain sponsors



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Little will change in terms of the daily operation of the Subway Soccer Centre, but timelines for capital projects remain up in the air as the city takes control of the southwest Calgary facility.

In March, the city announced it would be handling operations of the centre, formerly run by the Calgary Soccer Federation, and pledged to

Retaining staff

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The city offered jobs to 24 of 27 previous staff; 16 staff will remain.

move forward with rebuilding the collapsed bubble dome as well as building three outdoor artificial turf fields.

As the facility was handed over Wednesday, the city's manager of sport development Greg Steinrath said users will notice little difference in the operations.

"You're not going to see any changes to fees," said Steinrath. "We've committed for the next two years as part of negotiations with the Calgary Soccer Federation to honour the rates and fees they've set out."

Area Ald. Shane Keating said he hopes the city's takeover will mean soccer and lacrosse players in the city will be playing on new fields much sooner.

"I would hope ... the capital projects are done as expeditiously as possible," said Keating.

As far as the cost or timeline to replace the bubble dome, Steinrath said, it was too early to say, but added they hope to have the outdoor fields finished by the end of the summer.

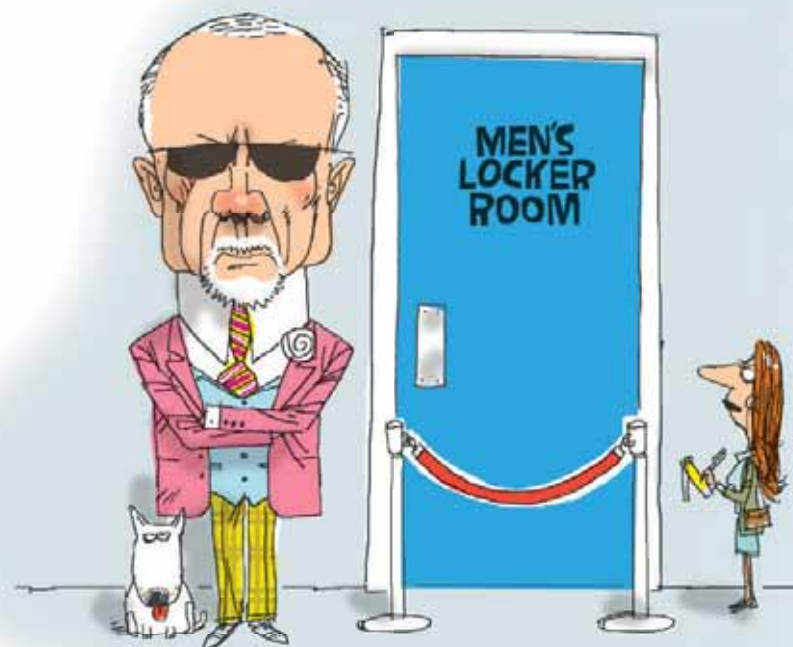
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Garbage. 'Pay-as-you-throw' fees possible for 2015-17

They would be several years away, but "pay-as-you-throw" garbage fees are again being cited as an option to help Calgary meet its recycling targets.

A report presented to the city's utilities and corporate services committee on Wednesday projects the introduction of pay-as-you-throw fees in the 2015-17 budget cycle, and suggests the move would modestly improve the amount of waste diverted from city landfills.

Aldermen were quick to caution that such a move would require a decision of council.

"It's definitely not a definite thing," said committee chair Ald. Brian Pincott. "It's not coming on yet, but it certainly would add (to diversion rates)."

Pincott said the city would first need to introduce recycling collection from multifamily residences as well as citywide collection of organic materials before it could reasonably start charging Calgarians for the amount of garbage they

Landfill diversion

- In 2007, the city set a goal of diverting 80 per cent of waste from landfills by 2020. "The target is to reduce waste disposed to landfills to 188 kg/capita by 2020 from 753 kg/capita in 2007," a city report says.

throw out.

If the city did go that route, Pincott said, it would likely involve offering several sizes of garbage can with larger fees for larger cans and overage fees for collecting waste that doesn't fit in a can.

Ald. Peter Demong, the committee vice-chair, has concerns with how people might react to that.

"Are they going to take (extra waste) to the nearest mall and throw it in the garbage there?" he said. "Or are they going to put it in their next-door neighbour's?"

ROBSON FLETCHER/METRO



Guards at Alberta jails, some seen here while on strike this week, went back to work on Wednesday. METRO FILE

Labour. Province aims to recoup costs of guards strike

The province intends to use arbitration to recoup its financial losses from an illegal strike by prison guards that lasted almost five days.

Premier Alison Redford says the cost to taxpayers was \$1.3 million a day and Albertans should not be on the hook for an unlawful job action.

"Very clearly, that's the reason that we believe we can pursue costs," Redford said.

Guards at the new Edmonton Remand Centre walked off the job on Friday and others from other correctional cen-

tres followed. Other members of the Alberta Union of Provincial Employees, including some court clerks, sheriffs and social workers, also joined in support.

The union and government came to an agreement on Tuesday night and workers returned to their jobs on Wednesday.

Union president Guy Smith says the government's pursuit of damages is a matter of law that will be decided by the courts and the labour-relations board. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Election donation

Tories, Katz cleared of electoral misdeeds

The provincial Progressive Conservatives and Edmonton Oilers owner Daryl Katz have been cleared of wrongdoing over a \$430,000 campaign contribution from Katz and his associates.

Acting chief electoral officer Lori McKee-Jeske, in a letter to the Tory party, said there is no evidence that any of Katz's business associates or family members contributed more than the \$30,000 personal limit in last spring's election. She also said there is no evidence the Tories knowingly accepted an illegal contribution.

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Bike to Work Day

Get on your bikes and ride

Two-wheeled commuters will be hitting the streets on Friday for the seventh-annual Bike to Work Day.

Experienced cyclists and newbies are encouraged to take part in the event, spon-

sored by the City of Calgary and Balbi and Company Legal Centre.

Between 6 and 9 a.m., seven pit stops will hand out snacks and prizes along some of the city's busiest pathways. A free pancake breakfast will also be held in the North Plaza of Eau Claire Market between 6:30 and 9:30 a.m.

For more information, visit bikecalgary.ca. METRO

Seaman family

Family makes history with third-largest gift in Canada

The Calgary Foundation received an enormous gift on Wednesday, thanks to the family of Doc Seaman.

The \$117-million donation is the third-largest charitable gift in Canadian community foundation history, and in Canadian history.

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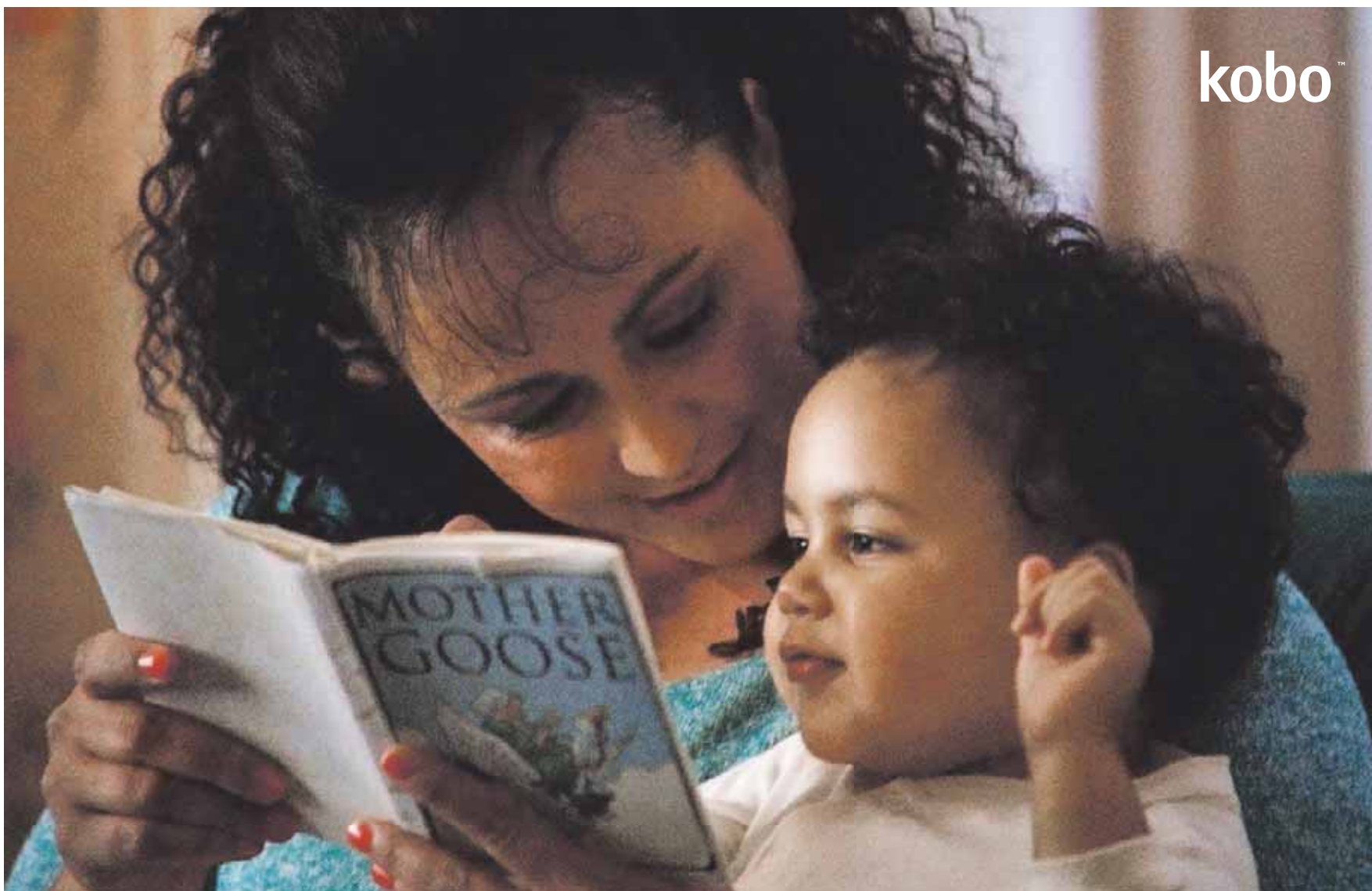
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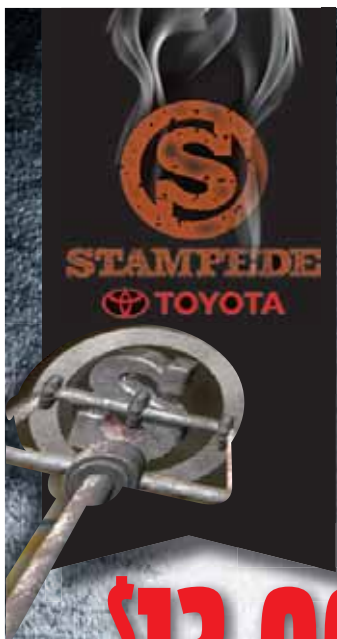
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Racist taunts greet 1st black minister

Italy. Appointment of woman born in Congo causes racist backlash

It was hailed as a giant step forward for racial integration in a country that has long been ill at ease with its growing immigrant classes.

But Cecile Kyenge's appointment as Italy's first black cabinet minister has instead exposed the nation's ugly race problem, a blight that flares regularly on the soccer pitch with racist taunts and in the diatribes of xenophobic politicians — but has now raised its head at the centre of political life.

One politician from a party that not long ago ruled in a coalition derided what he called Italy's new "bonga bonga government." On Wednesday, amid increasing revulsion over the reaction, the government authorized an investigation into neo-fascist websites whose members



Cecile Kyenge
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

called Kyenge a "Congolese monkey" and other epithets.

Kyenge, 48, was born in Congo and moved to Italy three decades ago to study medicine. An eye surgeon, she lives in Modena with her Italian husband and two children. She was active in local centre-left politics before winning a seat in the lower Chamber of Deputies in February elections.

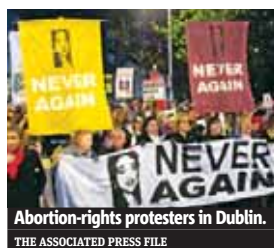
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Bill. Ireland lays down new rules on abortions

Ireland unveiled a long-awaited bill Wednesday governing when life-saving abortions can be performed, a point of potentially lethal confusion for women in a country that outlaws terminations.

Prime Minister Enda Kenny said he hoped the coming weeks of debate would not turn bitter. But he warned Catholic conservatives within his own party to back the bill or be expelled.

Kenny said the bill would set a maximum 14-year prison sentence for anyone involved in an illegal abortion, whether doctor or patient. The current law, dating to 1861, sets the



Abortion-rights protesters in Dublin.
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

maximum penalty at life.

Kenny's government took action following the death of a woman last year from blood poisoning after she was refused a termination because her dying fetus still had a heartbeat.

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Sex assault

Pants puller apologizes to Ottawa women

A man who terrorized women in Ottawa last spring with a spree of sexual assaults in which he pulled down his victims' pants in broad daylight as they walked alone, apologized to the city Wednesday.

"I am sorry," said Gavin

Griffiths, 26, speaking in court to his nine victims before being sentenced to 10 months at the St. Lawrence Valley Correctional and Treatment Centre.

Griffiths also faces three years probation. His 28 prior convictions and inability to follow court orders played a role in the verdict along with the fact doctors found his behaviour may indicate he has "pervasive developmental disorder."

GRAHAM LANKTREE/METRO

Protecting juveniles

Group assails sex-offender registry system

A human rights group is calling on the government to stop the practice of placing the names of juveniles on publicly accessible sex-offender registries.

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cing the names of juveniles on publicly accessible sex-offender registries.

Human Rights Watch says in a report that this policy can cause lasting and unwarranted harm to some young people.

Some law enforcement officials and victims' rights advocates agree the current registry system is flawed. They are supporting steps to allow more discretion in juvenile offender cases.

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Friends of Boston bombing suspect removed fireworks from college dorm: FBI

19-year-olds charged.

Two of three students arrested were previously jailed on allegations they were in violation of their student visas

Three college friends of Boston Marathon bombing suspect Dzhokhar Tsarnaev were arrested and accused Wednesday of removing a backpack containing hollowed-out fireworks from Tsarnaev's dorm room three days after the attack to keep him from getting into trouble.

In court papers, the FBI said one of them threw the backpack in the garbage — it was later found in a landfill by law enforcement officers — after the young men concluded from news reports that Tsarnaev was one of the bombers.

Azamat Tazhayakov and



This April 20 photo shows the front tag on a 2006 BMW that a spokesperson from the Massachusetts Registry of Vehicles says is registered to Dias Kadyrbayev, who is charged with conspiring to obstruct justice in the Boston bombing investigation. One of Kadyrbayev's lawyers said the plate was just a joke gift from friends of the 19-year-old. ERIKA NIEDOWSKI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Dias Kadyrbayev, both 19-year-olds from Kazakhstan, were charged with conspiring to obstruct justice by concealing and destroying evidence. Robel Philipos, 19, who graduated from the prestigious Cambridge Rindge and Latin High School with Tsarnaev, was charged with lying to investigators about the visit to Tsarnaev's

room.

The three were not accused of any involvement in the bombing itself. But in a footnote in the court papers outlining the charges, the FBI said that about a month before the bombing, Tsarnaev told Tazhayakov and Kadyrbayev that he knew how to make a bomb.

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Accident. 2-year-old girl killed by brother, 5, with gun received as a gift

A five-year-old U.S. boy accidentally shot his two-year-old sister to death with a rifle he had received as a gift last year, Kentucky authorities said.

The children's mother was home at the time Tuesday afternoon but had stepped out to the front porch for a few minutes and "she heard the gun go off," Cumberland County Coroner Gary White said. He said the rifle was kept in a corner, and the family didn't realize a bullet was left inside it.

White told the Lexington Herald-Leader newspaper the boy received the .22-calibre rifle, especially made for children, as a gift.

White identified the gun as a Cricket, referring to a company that specifically makes guns, clothes and books for children. "It's a little rifle for a kid. ... The little boy's used to shooting the little gun."

The shooting, while accidental, highlights a cultural divide in the U.S. debate over gun control, which again became a top issue after 20 young

'My first rifle'

Keystone Sporting Arms produced 60,000 Cricket and Chipmunk rifles in 2008, according to its website.

- The smaller guns come in all sorts of colours, including blue and pink.
- The company's slogan is "my first rifle," and its website has a "Kids Corner" section with photos of children at shooting ranges and on bird and deer hunts.

children and six adults were shot dead at a Connecticut school in December. While many urban and suburban areas work to keep guns out of the hands of children, it's not uncommon for youths in rural areas to own guns for target practice and hunting.

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Global presence

Canada won't trade foreign policy for Security Council seat: Baird

The ongoing debate about Canada's standing on the world stage was rekindled Wednesday after John Baird admitted Canada won't run again for a spot on the United Nations Security Council.

Canada doesn't need a spot on the council to have a place in the world, the foreign affairs minister said Wednesday during a pointed question period exchange in the House of Commons.

"Canada's principled foreign policy is not for sale for a Security Council seat," Baird said.

"We are aggressively working on humanitarian aid to the most vulnerable ..."

"This minister will be noted as the minister who just gave up when it comes to trying to win back our seat ..." NDP critic Paul Dewar said.

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In this online ad for Mountain Dew, the goat in the police lineup makes threatening remarks to the injured woman such as, "Ya better not snitch on a playa" and "Keep ya mouth shut." She eventually screams, "I can't do this, no no!" and runs away. YOUTUBE.COM



Celeb-made Mountain Dew ad leaves bad taste

Hip or horrible? PepsiCo pulls online spot depicting battered woman being threatened in police lineup

PepsiCo is once again learning the risks of celebrity partnerships after an ad for Mountain Dew was criticized for por-

traying racial stereotypes and making light of violence toward women.

The company said it pulled the 60-second spot after learning people found it offensive. The ad was part of a series developed by African-American rapper Tyler, the Creator, and depicted a battered white woman on crutches being urged to identify a suspect out of a lineup of black men.

A goat character known as Felicia is included in the lineup and makes threatening comments to the woman, such as "Ya better not snitch on a playa" and "Keep ya mouth shut."

The woman eventually screams, "I can't do this, no no no!" and runs away. The word "do" is in apparent reference to the soft drink's Dew It slogan.

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Dairy farming. New mozzarella rules may mean cheaper pizza

Canada's dairy farmers have changed the rules they use to classify milk that goes into making mozzarella cheese. And that could result in cheaper fresh-made pizzas for consumers across the country.

The new milk class, to take effect June 1, is expected to result in lower costs for Canadian-made mozzarella for restaurants that prepare and cook pizzas on site.

The move could also slow or halt the erosion of domestic cheese sales to pizza restaurants. The battle to cut the cost of mozzarella for pizza

restaurants has been fought for nearly 15 years, ever since frozen-pizza makers — including frozen-food giant McCain — won an exemption from Ottawa that allowed them to buy cheese at the cheaper world market price.

"There's been an inequity with frozen pizza versus fresh pizza with the exact same mozza cheese, and we've been pushing and pushing and pushing (for changes)," said Garth Whyte, president of the Canadian Restaurant and Foodservices Association.

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Online content. DreamWorks buys AwesomenessTV for \$33M

DreamWorks Animation SKG Inc. is buying AwesomenessTV, a YouTube teen network, for about \$33 million US in cash as it looks to tap into the popularity of online content.

DreamWorks said Wednesday that AwesomenessTV founder and CEO Brian Robbins will continue to direct

growth at that company while also developing a DreamWorks branded digital family channel.

AwesomenessTV features talk shows, scripted and reality programs and sketch comedy. Its network of YouTube channels has 14.4 million subscribers. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Iowa

Mentally disabled plant workers awarded \$240M

A jury on Wednesday awarded a total of \$240 million US to 32 mentally disabled Iowa turkey processing plant workers for what an expert witness described as years of "virtual enslavement" by the company that oversaw their care, work and lodging. The jury found that Henry's Turkey Service, of Goldthwaite, Texas, violated the Americans with Disabilities Act.

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Mass funeral held for garment workers

Factory tragedy. While unidentified bodies from collapsed building are buried in Bangladesh, Pope condemns 'slave labour' conditions



A woman grieves for a family member who has been missing since a garment factory building collapsed in Savar, Bangladesh. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Dozens of Bangladeshi garment workers, their bodies too battered or decomposed to be identified, were buried in a mass funeral Wednesday, a week after the eight-storey building they worked in toppled down, killing at least 410 people and injuring thousands.

Hundreds attended the traditional Muslim funeral and many more looked on from the roofs of nearby buildings as the bodies, rotting in the spring heat, were brought to the graveyard on the back of flatbed trucks.

Onlookers covered their noses. One woman rushed through the crowd to the back

of a truck wailing that one of the bodies was her sister's. She begged to take it as family members held on to her to keep her from collapsing.

Local men and boys recited a traditional Muslim prayer for the dead. Then, 34 bodies were unloaded and placed in the

graves. Workers at the cemetery have dug several long rows of graves as authorities expect to bury scores more unidentified bodies in the coming days.

"I would not have to take part in this if the government acted more responsibly," said Rasel Islam, a 32-year-old man who attended the burial.

Five garment factories were housed in the illegally constructed Rana Plaza building that collapsed April 24, five months after a fire killed 112 people at another clothing factory. The tragedies exposed the unsafe conditions plaguing Bangladesh's \$20-billion-a-year garment industry, which supplies many European and American retailers.

At the Vatican, Pope Francis said he was shocked by a headline about the building collapse that said some of the workers were living on about \$50 a month. "This was the payment of these people who have died ... and this is called 'slave labour,'" he said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Dearest readers,

By the time you read this, I may have already been mocked.

As I write this, Game 1 in the playoff series between the Boston Bruins and the Toronto Maple Leafs has not yet been played. It promises to be a war and, as a fervent Bruins fan in Toronto, I'm trapped behind enemy lines.

Toronto is Canada's team — or so certain Leafs fans never tire of telling me — and here I am right in the belly of the buds. If Toronto was victorious in the first battle, the verbal and psychological abuse may have already begun. And if the Bruins took the skirmish, who knows what blowback I might be facing?

A number of people, concerned about my well-being, have asked what it's like to be a die-hard fan of one team while living in a rival team's city. In response, I scratch out this humble letter, keeping myself sane on the eastern (conference) front with pieces of chocolate and a few pin-up girls I've been able to find on the Internet.

I try to blend in here, but I fear my Bruins toque, two Bruins



HE SAYS

John Mazerolle

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jackets, two Bruins T-shirts, four Bruins baseball caps, Bruins key chain and Bruins rubber bracelet may be giving me away.

Fortunately, most Leafs fans don't seem to notice me; they're too busy celebrating that they've made the playoffs for the first time since the Earth was hot and molten. They stumble around with goofy grins, shaking the rust of fandom off, yelling on the streets that they're "ready for the ... after-games ... tournament thing!"

But I must be careful not to prod. As I said, by now the Leafs may be up 1-0 in the series, and I'll be dodging the shots and cuts and jabs of co-workers and passersby. Just yesterday somebody said, "Your jacket looks terrible."

The wound still festers.

I always live in fear of the perfect put-down, the one that will shame me and shut me down forever. Fortunately the best most people can do is, "Your team's best player sucks!"

And, in truth, Maple Leafs fans are remarkably gentle. It might be because the young men most likely to be jerks

haven't had anything to strut about since they were 11. It might be because buying a game ticket requires a bailout from the World Bank. Or it might just be Toronto's easygoing nature.

Whatever it is, Leafs fans are not the threatening sort. Yet.

Compare that to, say, Philadelphia, where Flyers fans would gladly decapitate me at the gates of Wells Fargo Center and use my head as a clapper in the Liberty Bell.

Yes, I do consider myself a hero.

But I'm not alone. Right across this country there are people like me: Calgary fans in Edmonton, Edmonton fans in Vancouver, Montreal fans in Winnipeg, Rangers, Bruins and Blackhawks fans have infiltrated the North. And Maple Leafs fans seem to be everywhere, like spruce budworm.

God, I even know an Islanders fan, may his soul find rest.

Yes, we sports fans who value laundry over geography are legion. So, no matter what the outcome over the next two months, I will walk brave and true through enemy territory, knowing I have an army of like-minded soldiers at my back.

Unless, of course, the Leafs win the Stanley Cup, in which case I'm moving to Ouagadougou.

Don't bother writing.

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First time taking flight for chicks

This amazing image shows goldeneye chicks (*Bucephala clangula*) taking a leap of faith as they leave their nest for the first time. In a heart-stopping scene, the mother urged the young sea ducks to jump a few metres to the ground. **METRO**

Photog's words

- "The mother knows when all the kids are out of the eggs and then she jumps out, down on the ground. She stands and makes special sounds to get the chicks to jump. In a moment, the little ones begin to jump out, and you will see the sweet birds coming one by one, all jumping in different styles as you can see."

Ducking out



"I had to wait two-and-a-half-hours to get this shot. It brought a tear to my eye."

Karin Thorell, nature photographer from Överkalix, Sweden

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So now that a particularly nasty winter is behind us (most of us), the yearning for an escape to far-flung locales may have eased a bit. But there are still rainy days ahead, so why not spend one of them exploring the world? Here are three ways to do it.



Instahood:

Using Google Street View to investigate a neighbourhood can be a little Grand Theft Auto-like since you can't really enter any buildings and poke around. Instahood gets you closer to the real feel of a city (and its duck-faced selfies) through tagged photos on Instagram. (instahood.meteor.com)

Koozoo:

A newly released iOS app that allows

users to broadcast video — either recorded or live — from their home city. Broadcasting is still in beta and limited to San Francisco and Austin, Texas, so file Koozoo under 'very promising' for now. (koozoo.com)

Tetsudo Now:

Tokyo's public-transit system is a breathtaking sprawl of remarkable efficiency, and you can watch it play out on a real-time map that provides arrivals information for its millions of users. (demap.info/tetsudonow)

Twitter

@metropicks asked: As the NHL playoffs get underway, we want to know: what's your playoff regime? Lucky pants? Not shaving?

@kajomha: wear a rain coat when going to Detroit games because I don't want to be showered with squid goo

@bobbyboucher604: wear jersey, & other @VanCanucks gear to the office, have large size flag in front win-

dow @ home, this yr some Ginda Ninja beer

@EthanDR: I use my lucky Netscape Navigator browser

@EvanPetrie17: Never really had one, Leafs finally made playoffs for the first time in 9 yrs. Maybe I won't wash this Leafs shirt. #Leafs

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Actress stays true to herself

Anne of Green Gables. Young thespian admires Avonlea's heroine for her strength of character



BACKSTAGE PASS
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Jill Agopsowicz was seven years old when she first read *Anne of Green Gables*.

Now, 13 years later, she's playing the irrepressible title character on stage in Theatre Calgary's musical production of the beloved Canadian story.

Agopsowicz says she sees a little of herself in Anne Shirley, the strong-willed orphan who wins the hearts of the fictional Prince Edward Island community of Avonlea.

"I'm a little dramatic," says the Edmonton native, who is making her professional theatre debut at Theatre Calgary. "Her imagination is unreal. And I just love how everything with her is so extreme."

"I think she's just a really good role model for girls. She doesn't do anything she doesn't want to. She's true to herself. Growing up with peer pressure it's nice to know you can do what you want to do."

Families and longtime *Anne of Green Gables* fans have been flocking to the Max Bell Theatre to see TC's current production, and Agopsowicz says its success is due to the enduring charm and timeless mes-

sage of Lucy Maud Montgomery's original 1908 novel.

"It's about people who are different being given a chance and taking that chance and changing the whole community's perspective," she explains.

One week after graduating from Toronto's Randolph Academy for the Performing Arts last year, Agopsowicz was standing in front of the Theatre Calgary artistic director, Dennis Garndhum, auditioning for the role of Anne.

She also spent three hours auditioning in Toronto before she was told she'd won the part.

"It was pretty exciting when they told me," she recalls.

Although she's been dancing, singing and acting since she was a child, Agopsowicz says she still looks to the cast's veteran actors — including Colleen Winton (Marilla Cuthbert) Barrie Wood (Matthew Cuthbert) and Nora McLellan (Rachel Lynde) — for some guidance.

"I learn from example, so just watching people has been extremely informative," she says.

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Happy to play Ho Hey every day

The Lumineers. Lead singer Wesley Schultz talks about returning to Canada, their big hit and the importance of following it up

The Lumineers, the Denver-based folk-rock band who authored the rousing smash single Ho Hey, have played sparingly in Canada, so they have a clear memory of the few gigs they have played north of the border.

One in particular stands out to frontman Wesley Schultz. It was last June, when the Lumineers' self-titled debut had been out for a couple months but the hand-stitched Ho Hey was still hovering around the fringe of the Billboard singles chart. The band was scheduled to play a (non-headlining) show at Toronto's historic but cosy Horseshoe Tavern during North by Northeast, and the venue was full — though the mood was skeptical.

"It was half fans, half industry people with their arms folded, didn't really give a (crap),"



The Lumineers have played sparingly in Canada thus far, but that is due to change. CANADIAN PRESS/AP/INVISION

Schultz recalled in a telephone interview. "The industry people were sort of wondering what the fuss was about. They were kind of put off by all the (fans), which is strange to say but it was true. The fans were like, really excited."

"It was almost like the people in the music business

around there hadn't been wise to it before the fans had. They were kind of underestimating what we were doing at the time, I think, and almost looking like, '(This crowd) must be here for something else.'

"We actually thought the same thing. Because we were in Canada! We'd never been there before."

There will be no doubt when the Lumineers wind back through the country this time. They play Hamilton's Copps Coliseum on Tuesday before a pair of sold-out gigs in Toronto and another in Montreal. Their album has recently been certified double-platinum here, Ho Hey is five-times platinum and their more recent single, Stubborn Love, is gold.

Schultz talked about the Grammy-nominated band's big year, following up Ho Hey and finding time to write new material.

Your second single, Stubborn Love, is doing well now, with gold sales here in Canada. Is that a relief, that it wasn't just Ho Hey that would connect?

Yeah, you can never reproduce something like Ho Hey, it was just huge. It becomes this big thing, and you don't want to be known for just one thing. The other thing is that our live shows, I've noticed that Stubborn Love actually gets a bigger reaction. ... It's cool to hear that song's being played now on the radio as well. It's a scary thing to have success with one song.

And you didn't necessarily consider the band a singles-oriented act before that, did you?

No. ... Our stuff, even the way we produced the record, the album was produced in such a way that it wasn't really slick, it wasn't glossed over. So I didn't think it would see the light of day on radio — maybe some NPR-type stations. We've actually made it onto the Top 40 stations, and that was pretty weird. I think every time we walked into the station, they were pretty nice to us, but it would be different. We're not the typical band that walked into those doors.

Did you know early on you had a hit in Ho Hey?

I remember this hilarious

moment — (though) it wasn't hilarious at the time, it was kind of (crappy). Jere (Jeremiah Fraites) and I had just recorded Ho Hey on our own, in our basement, and we were moving out of this one house and moving into this smaller, crappier house. We were showing the new tenants, these college kids moving in, the digs. Here's the bedroom. Here's the bathroom. And he saw our instruments and our computer (and) ProTools. We said, "You should listen to this song." And he was not at all impressed. It was kind of uncomfortable. It was actually a few of them, they were like: "Where's the bathroom again?" They just wanted to get out of the room. I was like, "Man, I don't know. I thought this was a really cool song. These people don't think so."

One of your bandmates recently estimated he's played Ho Hey more than 2,000 times. Are you sick of it?

(Someone) said: "Does it ever feel like you're covering someone else's song, because you play it so much?" That's the best way I can describe it some nights. You do it so much and there's not much flexibility with how you can necessarily present it every night. Sometimes we would go out in the crowd and we would play it with a lot less instruments and people would sing it for us. That was the best way to feel fresh about it. You become a little bit detached from it in some ways, but at the same time, happy to play it.

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Kelly Osbourne loses her cool with interviewer

Kelly Osbourne isn't the easiest person to interview, at least according to Daily Telegraph reporter Joel Christie, who's spilling about a particularly tense chat with the reality star. "The conversation didn't start well. She called me 'presumptuous' for

rumoured fiancé her fiancé," Christie reports, adding that Osbourne got testy pretty quickly. "You are trying to f—ing turn this around and get s— on my family, aren't you?" she reportedly scolded him. Christie remains miffed: "It's pretty vexing when you're screamed at for spurious reasons."

The Word



Why Jennifer's latest dress has us whispering and wondering



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Oh man. Jennifer Aniston. What are you doing to us? How in the world can you show up to an event in what has been alternately described as a "billowy," "loose," "definitely maternity" dress? What does this mean?! Of course, it could just be that the actress is wearing a loose-fitting dress at the book launch party for Mandy Ingber's *Yogalosophy: 28 Days to the Ultimate Mind-Body Makeover* and we are all jumping to conclusions. And honestly, if I were Jennifer Aniston, I'd wear dresses like this until the

day I die just to continuously mess with the minds of the baby-hungry public at large.

But! It seems like the actress has moved her wedding date and she's passing the blame to Brad Pitt (ex-husbands are always good scapegoats). She doesn't want to overlap with Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie's rumoured wedding this summer, according to *Us Weekly*. "She does not want her day associated with them," a source says, adding that when Aniston first heard of Pitt's planned wedding date she considered moving her wedding to Justin Theroux up to take place before it, but her fiancé talked her out of that idea. "Justin got weirded out by all the rushing," Aniston has now reportedly put her wedding plans completely on hold. "Nothing has happened on that front in a month," the source says.

Maybe that's because she's pregnant?! Or not. Only time, and more billowy dresses, will tell.

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Lindsay Lohan

Prison sentence looms for Lindsay Lohan if she fails to show for rehab stint

Today's the day that Lindsay Lohan has to report for 90 days of court-ordered rehab, though at press time no facility had been chosen yet, according to *E! News*. If she doesn't check in somewhere she will be "required to show up to court on Thursday with her lawyer in L.A.," a source says. "If Lohan does not comply with the judge's

order, that would be a violation of probation that could land her in jail." But one thing's at least for sure: Lohan won't be blogging about the experience while she's locked up, despite a report that she'd be using her personal website to chronicle her rehab. "She will not be blogging from rehab, but she does plan to have her own space on the web where she can talk about her passions," another source says. "She wants a place to discuss her love of fashion, music, art and her unique sense of style. She wants to be able to connect to her fans directly."

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Multi-task makeup: a miracle or a marketing scheme?

She's all that?

Alphabet skin care is surfacing not only on swanky beauty counters but also in drugstore makeup aisles. But are the multi-function creams really improving your skin or merely clogging your pores? We take a look at the pros and cons

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By now you've probably seen, tried or become addicted to all-in-one BB creams, which promise to protect, hydrate and perfect your skin while covering your spots.

"Having a product do it all was a first in the world of cosmetics, where the colour and function of the formula usually comes first and the treatment benefits take a back seat," Kerri Bender, manager of global product development at Smashbox Cosmetics says.

And maybe you're excited to get into CC creams, which arrived this spring and are meant to even out skin tone, reduce dark spots and enhance skin radiance through optics and coverage.



Now, the beauty industry is in a frenzy over the first ever DD cream, due to hit stores in June. Produced by Julep, it will target age spots, fine lines and, yes,

cover flaws.

But are all of these multitaskers yielding results?

"To me they're marketing hype," says Mary Schook, a New York based celebrity

Face the facts

"We haven't seen such a shift in the industry since Bobbi Brown first introduced yellow to foundation colours."

Mary Schook
Celebrity facialist and makeup artist.

facialist and makeup artist. "What's good about all of this is that it forced the industry to work on building better foundations. Because we haven't seen such a shift in the industry since Bobbi Brown first introduced yellow to foundation colours," Schook adds. She and Bender help us look at the pros and cons.

CONS — Mary Schook

Clogged pores

"BB creams contain so many different ingredients that the skin can't handle, such as silicone and avobenzone, which cause breakouts. BB creams are supposed to have sunscreen and avobenzone is the popular ingredient in that, hence the acne. And the silicone in BB creams create a veil over the skin that doesn't allow it to breathe. It feels like it's breathing, but it's a false thing. It's creating a barrier that's not allowing the skin to perspire the way that it should. That's what is trapping the bacteria."

Heightened sensitivity

"CC creams do give a glow to the skin. But when you have a product that claims to colour correct, the way CC creams do, you have to worry about skin character because you're taking away things that protect the skin cells. When the cells want to cause any kind of pigmentation, it's the body trying to protect itself. If you take away all of that pigmentation, or the ability for the body to do that, then the body cannot defend itself."

PROS — Kerri Bender

A simpler makeup routine

"BBs are the baseline. You don't have to be a makeup junkie to use one. If you're looking for an all-in-one product, something that is going to prime, perfect, protect, hydrate and control oil, then it's the right one for you."

They mix well with your other products

"Both BB and CC creams work for any skin type. If you require a little more hydration, use your BB or CC cream in conjunction with your moisturizer. And if you have problems with shine, you can top off your BB or CC with a finishing powder."

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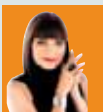
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Decor. Using mix-and-match tableware pieces a trend



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For most of my adult life I have tried to veer away from anything remotely familiar to my mother or grandmother's decor styles.

Recently, I was shopping at a consignment shop and found a set of scallop-edged toile dessert plates. Not sure what I was going to do with them, I purchased them and decided to make them work at my next dinner party.

While mixing old and new is a huge trend, I figured I had my work cut out for me to incorporate them into a trendsetting table scape.

Recently, the look of farmhouse style has shown up at many home decor retail stores. This mix-and-match of humbly-worn objects can allow us to create a trendy table scape by combining our old dishes with this charming style — perfect for casual summer entertaining.

It's a table top that I think any modern grandmother would appreciate.

Fog wine glass

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Bracket dinner plate

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Salad plate

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Brighter days are on the way

Simple tips. Plants, window treatments and lighter fabrics can help bring springtime's new life into your living space

Preparing your home for warmer weather is easier than you think. To create a brighter, more organized home, try these simple tips from Sally Morse, director of creative services at Hunter Douglas, a leading name in custom window fashions:

Welcome in the natural light

Updating your window treatments is an uplifting and impactful decor change that can easily be made. New window fashions will not only look stylish and beautifully filter light for a glowing room, they will also provide unlimited practical benefits.

Morse suggests using Nantucket window shadings, a line that is streamlined and casual and also features soft fabric vanes suspended between two sheer facings. These allow you to have a view and, even with the vanes open, they filter up to 88 per cent of the sun's harmful UV rays.



Make your indoor and outdoor spaces feel seamless by adding similar plants and flowers indoors. NEWS CANADA

Don't get overwhelmed

If cleaning and clearing away clutter seems overwhelming, Morse has a simple trick to help calm your nerves.

- "Try setting the kitchen timer for 15 minutes per area like the bedroom closet, pantry or foyer.

Bring Nature In

As Mother Earth comes to life again, it's a great time to bring that life indoors with easy-to-maintain plants and flowers.

Additionally, to make your indoor and outdoor spaces feel seamless, use the same planters on your patio and entryway as in your foyer and kitchen. And don't forget about the flowers — add bouquets to spread a cheerful dose of colour around the home.

Lemony fresh

Appeal to all five of your senses this springtime. After your initial scrub and sorting and clearing of clutter, extend that fresh scent by adding a lemon-scented diffuser. They are a great way to bring a pleasing, calming scent into your home, while avoiding the potential danger of burning candles. Purchase the diffuser or try creating one affordably yourself.

Lighter linens

For a refresher that goes a long way, try brightening up the home with lighter fabrics. The update can awaken nearly every room from the living room, bedroom and bathroom to the kitchen. Swap out heavier, darker

Spring cleaning

"Split up the tasks into smaller ones so you stay focused and don't get lost in the process."

Sally Morse, director of creative services at Hunter Douglas

fabrics such as rugs, pillow covers and towels for lighter

ones both in texture and colour. Top beds with a lightweight blanket, folding the comforter and placing it at the foot of the bed for chilly evenings.

With a little work and a few additions, you can happily enjoy the coming months with a clean, orderly, beautiful home.

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help with food preparation while also creating a dramatic effect at night.

True colours

Add a splash of colour with affordable kitchen accents like vibrant storage boxes.

It's as easy as purchasing a few old wooden crates and spray painting them with vivid tones. These accent pieces can also be used to store extra dishes, utensils, cookbooks and any other items that need to be packed away.

Sticky situation

Create a fun design on your kitchen walls without calling in the painting professionals.

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Scratch the surface

Add texture to your kitchen walls with a unique backsplash using versatile materials such as salvaged wood scraps from an old cottage, photocopies of favourite recipes, or even a vintage vinyl tablecloth.

This serves as a budget-friendly and simple way to freshen up your kitchen space on a whim, without having to make any long-term decisions.

Out in the open

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As the grey skies and dull days of winter are now behind us, give your kitchen a fresh facelift for the spring.

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See the light

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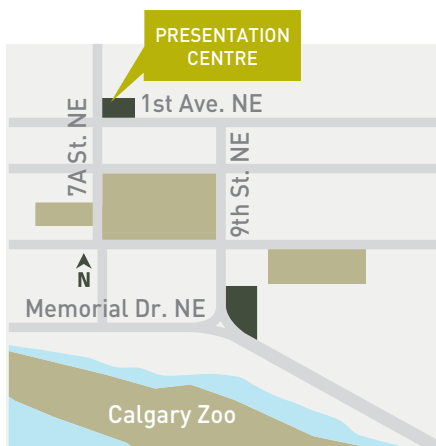
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volume of paint colours.

"For every can of blue wall paint sold, you can almost fill an Olympic-size pool with the yellow paint that's purchased over the counter," said Martin Tustin-Fuchs, brand director for Dulux paint, pointing out that yellow is actually cited as the least favourite colour worldwide, with only five per cent of people favouring it.

"When presented with paint swatches, however, most people seem to like yellow — as long as it's called something other than yellow, that is," Tustin-Fuchs said. "Paint names like buttercup, vanilla and champagne are more attractive to consumers."

While all kinds of yellow shades adorn Canadian walls, studies show off-white yellows take top spot in our homes. Tustin-Fuchs offered these tips on how to pick the best shade of yellow for your rooms:

Sunny yellow: Infused with a tinge of orange, sunny yellow

does wonders in lighting up a poorly-lit room. Try painting this bright shade on both walls and ceilings and it will appear to mimic sunlight — even on cloudy days.

Mellow yellow: Cream tones tinted with yellow create a relaxing retreat in any living space. Soft and light, earthy yellows warm up smaller spaces, like bathrooms and vestibules, without overwhelming them. Warm yellow is also a good option for a master bedroom.

Citrus yellow: Known to energize and increase the

appetite, cheery lemon yellow is a good option for eating areas. Reflecting a high amount of light, this shade works well in any kitchen or as an accent wall in a dining area.

Banana yellow: Warm tropical yellows work particularly well with neutral or wood furnishings. Best used in a family room or living area, banana yellow emits a welcoming, upbeat feel that wraps a person in warmth.

"Simply put, yellow paint is sunshine in a can," Tustin-Fuchs said.

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"When a polyurethane glue is used on two non-porous surfaces — i.e., sheet metal and glass — as the glue dries it foams, causing the pieces to separate and glue to drip over the edges, making it difficult to sand off and clean up" says Monica Lee, associate product manager for Elmer's Canada. "ProBond Advanced goes a step beyond polyurethane, working on all the same surfaces, but it doesn't foam when it dries and is easy to clean up with just water. In addition,



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ProBond Advanced is suitable for both indoors and out. This handyman and DIYers glue is a must-have when it comes to fixing and building things around the house. ProBond Advanced is available in 60 ml and 118 ml bottles, retailing for approximately \$6.29 and \$9.99, respectively.

Budget. Simple projects can lead to savings

Renovations aren't just about updating the design and comfort of your home or cottage, they can also be a great way to incorporate better approaches and sustainable technologies that cost very little, but lead to big savings.

It's often hard to know where to start when considering a green renovation. If you are considering a partial or full home renovation and

want to go green, visit cagbc.org/greenhomes for a valuable list of resources, including local architects, advisers or contractors who are best qualified to help.

Here are some simple tips to get you thinking about renovating your space with an eye to saving — both money and the environment:

- Often in renovations you have the opportunity to fill un-

insulated spaces to make them more energy efficient. To go green, consider rock wool or cellulose insulation. Both are available at most home renovation centres and contain recycled content, are made in Canada, and have the potential to reduce your monthly heating costs.

- The biggest single electricity user in an average gas-heated home is your refrigerator.

While renovating a kitchen, consider recycling your old fridge (many utility companies will pick it up for free) and purchasing an Energy Star fridge. Choosing a smaller size will also reduce the monthly energy cost. Compare the EnerGuide rating that is listed on each fridge before you buy one — this will tell you which ones will save you the most energy and the most money.

- Reducing water use and hot water bills when renovating your bathroom is easy. Installing a low-flow or low-flow dual-flush toilet can reduce your water use by up to 25 per cent. A smart way to sort through what works best is to visit map-testing.com.
- Did you know showers use about 40 per cent of the hot water in your home? Installing the right low-flow shower

head, especially one that is 1.75 gallons per minute (GPM) or less, will save you up to 30 per cent.

- When looking to replace or install new windows, look for those that are Energy Star rated for zone C or D. You could also consider installing casement windows, which tend to be less drafty as they age when compared to slider and double hung windows. **NEWS CANADA**



A fresh coat of paint can give your home an updated look and feel — and it doesn't have to cost a lot of money. DIGITAL VISION/THINKSTOCK

Choose 'smart' renovations

Many Canadians are interested in knowing the "smartest" household renovations to make to receive a good return on their investment. Although there are many variables that affect the value of a home, the Appraisal Institute of Canada (AIC) offers these general tips to Canadian consumers.

1 Choose improvements with long life expectancy. Roofing, energy-efficient heating and cooling systems, and windows can provide homeowners worry-free home improvements for as long as 10 to 15 years.

2 Invest in modern updates in high-traffic areas. Update the core rooms of your home such as the kitchen and bathroom. This can be as simple as changing door knobs, resurfacing cabinets, or replacing fixtures and countertops.

3 Don't underestimate the value of inexpensive updates. A fresh coat of paint, modern lighting fixtures, light landscaping or gardening, or upgraded door handles can give your home an updated look and feel — and it

doesn't have to cost a lot of money.

4 Consider energy-efficient renovations that have a high return relative to cost. Energy-efficient renovations are considered one of the highest paybacks relative to cost.

5 Be careful about over-improvement. Consider your neighbourhood and the expectations of buyers in your area when planning your next renovation project.

6 Think about your personal needs. How much you spend on improvements will depend on how long you plan to live in your home. If you are thinking shorter term, smaller and less-expensive improvements may be your best bet to recover your investment.

7 Be sure to get a building/renovation permit. Take the time to obtain the proper building permits from your municipality or appropriate authority. This is a good step to ensuring that the renovation work complies with the building codes.

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Shepherd's Pie loses meat and goes Mexican with quinoa

1. Heat oven to 180 C (350 F). Bake sweet potatoes for 60 minutes or until tender. Alternatively, microwave at high for 8 to 12 minutes. Let cool until easy to handle.

2. Lightly grease a 2-l (8 cups)

baking dish with canola oil or line with wet parchment paper (makes cleanup a breeze). Set aside.

3. In a large soup pot or Dutch oven, heat oil over medium heat. Add onion, red pepper,

garlic and cumin. Cook, stirring often, for 5 to 7 minutes. Stir in black beans, cooked quinoa, corn and salsa until well combined. Remove from heat.

4. Pour into prepared pan. If

you used a microwave to cook sweet potatoes, at this point heat oven to 180 C (350 F).

5. Meanwhile, cut cooled sweet potatoes in half and scrape out flesh. Discard skins. Mash sweet potato well with



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Mexi Meatless Shepherd's Pie



This recipe makes 1.5 l (6 cups). THE CANADIAN PRESS H/O

sour cream. Stir in cilantro. Season with pepper, if desired.

6. For a rustic look, spoon sweet potato mixture over quinoa mixture in heaping teaspoonfuls. (If you like more conformity, spoon on and spread out.)

7. Bake for 30 minutes or until heated through and bubbly. Sprinkle top of casserole with green onion, if using.

THE CANADIAN PRESS/ RECIPE ON THIS PAGE APPEARS IN THE VEGETARIAN'S COMPLETE QUINOA COOKBOOK BY THE ONTARIO HOME ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION. EDITED BY MAIRLYN SMITH (WHITECAP, 2012).

Ingredients

- 1 kg (2 lb) sweet potatoes, scrubbed well and pierced all over with a fork
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) canola oil, plus extra for greasing casserole dish
- 1 onion, chopped
- 1 red pepper, diced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 10 ml (2 tsp) ground cumin
- 1 can (540 ml/19 oz) black beans (no salt added), well rinsed and drained
- 250 ml (1 cup) cooked quinoa made with water
- 250 ml (1 cup) frozen corn (no need to thaw)
- 250 ml (1 cup) mild or medium salsa, deli-style
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) light sour cream
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) finely chopped cilantro
- 1 ml (1/4 tsp) freshly ground black pepper (optional)
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) thinly sliced green onion or chopped cilantro, for garnish (optional)

Cookbook of the Week

Cooking superfood



Quinoa, one of the most popular superfoods, gets the spotlight in The Vegetarian's Complete Quinoa Cookbook by the Ontario Home Economics Association. The release boasts more than 125 recipes, many of which are gluten free, contributed by professional home economists. Every recipe includes a nutritional profile and is less than 500 calories.

Among specific recipes are: African Peanut Soup with Red Quinoa, Goat Cheese, Red Pepper and Spinach Quiche, Dark Chocolate Pudding Cake. **METRO**

NHL

Penguins live up to top contender status in Game 1

Pascal Dupuis scored twice, Marc-Andre Fleury made 26 saves and the top-seeded Pittsburgh Penguins opened the playoffs with a 5-0 romp over the New York Islanders on Wednesday night.

Beau Bennett, Kris Letang and Tanner Glass also scored for the Penguins, who had no trouble against the upstart Islanders even with star Sidney Crosby sidelined by a broken jaw. Pittsburgh hardly needed its captain to continue its mastery of the Islanders, who made their first playoff appearance since 2007.

The Penguins, the No. 1 seed in the Eastern Conference, beat Evgeni Nabokov four times in the game's first 22 minutes, including goals by Letang and Dupuis 32 seconds apart early in the second period to send Nabokov to the bench after he stopped just 11 shots.

Kevin Poulin came on in relief and surrendered a soft goal to Glass.

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The Penguins celebrate Tanner Glass's goal during Game 1 against the Islanders on Wednesday night in Pittsburgh. GETTY IMAGES

Leafs feel sting of playoff hornet's nest

Black-and-yellow beatdown. After scoring first, Buds largely silent in return to post-season play

Nine years out of the NHL playoffs and the Toronto Maple Leafs looked rusty. And sloppy. And, by the end, befuddled.

David Krejci had a goal and two assists as the Boston Bruins spoiled Toronto's long-awaited return to the post-season, scoring four unanswered goals to defeat the Maple Leafs 4-1 on Wednesday night.

The Bruins went behind early but clawed their way back into the game before a capacity crowd of 17,565 in yellow-and-black at TD Garden — Boston's 154th straight sell-out. The experienced Bruins turned the screws on the error-prone Leafs as the game wore on.

"I just thought we self-destructed.... We know that this is going to take more than an ordinary effort and tonight our effort wasn't anywhere near close enough to put us in a competitive position," said Leafs head coach Randy Carlyle.

Fans may have partied early in Toronto but last call was reserved for Bruins fans on this night.

Wade Redden, Nathan Horton and Johnny Boychuk also scored for Boston on a night where video review ratified one Bruins goal and disallowed two more.

Krejci, meanwhile, regis-



Bruins forward Nathan Horton redirects the puck past Maple Leafs goalie James Reimer with 12 seconds remaining in the first period to make it 2-1 in Game 1 of the Eastern Conference quarter-final series on Wednesday night. Boston was dominant from that point on en route to a 4-1 win at home. JARED WICKERHAM/GETTY IMAGES

Game 1

4

Bruins

1

Maple Leafs

tered his 13th career multi-point playoff game in his 60th appearance in the post-season.

James van Riemsdyk scored for Toronto, whose big guns were silent.

Boston outshot Toronto 40-20, including 14-6 in the third period.

"We left Reims (goalie James Reimer) out to dry for

most of the game," said Leafs centre Nazem Kadri, who also lamented a string of undisciplined turnovers.

"We are just killing ourselves when we do those type of things," he said. "No one expects to win when you're playing shinny hockey out there."

"I've never seen so many people fall down with nobody around them," Carlyle added.

Game 2 goes Saturday and Carlyle promised changes in his lineup.

"There are some thing we did that were totally, totally unacceptable from our standpoint and from a coaching standpoint and we have to correct it," he said. "And now we have two days of practice and

Bad ring to it

22

Going into Game 1, 15 players on the current Leafs 25-man roster had never seen playoff action. Boston entered the series with 1,273 games of playoff experience on its roster, and 22 players have Stanley Cup rings.

we're going to practise to get better."

Carlyle said the good news was that his players can perform better.

"And they know they can," he added. "We have to take that responsibility in the next couple of days to get ourselves ready." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Celtics extend season with win over Knicks

NBA playoffs. Garnett & Co. make it 3-for-3 for Boston teams on Wednesday night

Back in the series, now back to Boston.

The Celtics, winners of the most NBA championships, are two victories from making more history.

Kevin Garnett had 16 points and 18 rebounds and the Celtics stayed alive in the NBA playoffs, cutting the New York Knicks' lead to 3-2 with a 92-86 victory Wednesday night.

The Celtics will host Game 6 on Friday night, needing two victories to become the first NBA team to overcome a 3-0 deficit to win a series.

"We just wanted to keep it going," Brandon Bass said.

Bass added 17 points, steadying Boston as it shook off an



New York Knicks guard J.R. Smith, right, is fouled by Kevin Garnett of the Boston Celtics during Game 5 of their Eastern Conference playoff series on Wednesday in New York City. AL BELLO/GETTY IMAGES

11-0 deficit and pulled away in the second half to stop the Knicks again from achieving their first playoff series victory since 2000.

"We didn't panic, and that's something we've done, but we

didn't," coach Doc Rivers said. "I thought once the game got back to that five, six area, our guys were good again."

J.R. Smith, back from his one-game suspension for elbowing Jason Terry with the

Knicks way ahead late in Game 3, missed his first 10 shots and finished 3-for-14 with 14 points.

Terry also scored 17 off the bench.

Jeff Green scored 18 points and Paul Pierce had 16 as he and Garnett, the two franchise stalwarts, extended this season — and perhaps their Celtics careers — at least one more game.

Carmelo Anthony scored 22 points but was just 8-for-24 in another dismal shooting night for the Knicks, who blew a big lead in this game and now the series. They face an unwanted trip back to Boston instead of the rest this aging roster could surely use before the second round.

If they get there.

"I think we're fine," Knicks coach Mike Woodson said. "Sure, we would've loved to close it out and move on, but nobody said it would be easy."

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WHL. Lowry returns from wrist injury to win Four Broncos award

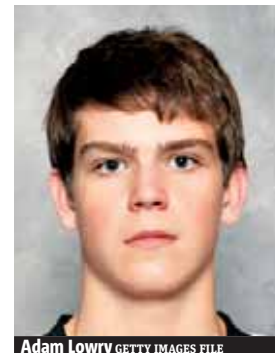
Adam Lowry didn't let a season-ending wrist injury last year slow him down for too long.

After an off-season of hard work, Lowry led the Swift Current Broncos this past season with 45 goals and 43 assists in 72 games to go with a plus-18 rating.

His dedication paid off on Wednesday when he was awarded the Four Broncos Memorial Trophy as the Western Hockey League player of the year.

The trophy is named in honour of four Broncos players — Trent Kresse, Scott Kruger, Chris Mantyka, and Brent Ruff — who were killed on Dec. 30, 1986, when the team bus was involved in an accident.

"Being able to play in Swift Current and having the award named after the four Broncos that passed away tragically 26 years ago, it adds a little extra," Lowry said. "It means a lot to, not only our organization, but to the town



Adam Lowry GETTY IMAGES FILE

itself. I'm just thrilled."

Lowry, who missed the last half of the 2011-12 season, credited his dad, Dave Lowry, for supporting him while he spent countless hours in the gym to rehabilitate his injury.

Now the head coach of the WHL's Victoria Royals, Dave Lowry played 1,084 NHL games over 19 seasons with the Vancouver Canucks, St. Louis Blues, Florida Panthers, San Jose Sharks and Calgary Flames. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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NBA PLAYOFFS	
CONFERENCE QUARTER-FINALS	
(BEST-OF-7 SERIES — All times Eastern)	
EASTERN CONFERENCE	
MIAMI (1) VS MILWAUKEE (8)	
(Miami wins 4-0)	
NEW YORK (2) VS BOSTON (7)	
(New York leads 3-2)	
Wednesday's result	
Boston 92 New York 86	
INDIANA (3) VS ATLANTA (6)	
(Indiana leads 3-2)	
Wednesday's result	
Indiana 106 Atlanta 83	
Friday's game	
Indiana at Atlanta, TBD	
BROOKLYN (4) VS CHICAGO (5)	
(Chicago leads 3-2)	
Thursday's game	
Brooklyn at Chicago, 8 p.m.	
WESTERN CONFERENCE	
OKLAHOMA CITY (1) V HOUSTON (8)	
(Oklahoma City leads 3-1)	
Wednesday's result	
Houston at Oklahoma City	
SAN ANTONIO (2) VS L.A. LAKERS (7)	
(San Antonio wins 4-0)	
DENVER (3) VS GOLDEN STATE (6)	
(Golden State leads 3-2)	
Tuesday's result	
Denver 107 Golden State 100	
Thursday's game	
Denver at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.	
Saturday, May. 4	
x-Golden State at Denver, TBD	
L.A. CLIPPERS (4) VS MEMPHIS (5)	
(Memphis leads 3-2)	
Tuesday's result	
Memphis 103 L.A. Clippers 93	
Friday's game	
L.A. Clippers at Memphis, TBD	
Sunday's game	
x-Memphis at L.A. Clippers, TBD	
x — if necessary.	

NHL PLAYOFFS	
CONFERENCE QUARTER-FINALS	
(BEST-OF-7 SERIES — All times Eastern)	
EASTERN CONFERENCE	
PITTSBURGH (1) V. NY ISLANDERS (8)	
(Pittsburgh leads 1-0)	
Wednesday's result	
Pittsburgh 5 N.Y. Islanders 0	
Friday's game	
N.Y. Islanders at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.	
MONTREAL (2) VS. OTTAWA (7)	
Thursday's game	
Ottawa at Montreal, 7 p.m.	
Friday's game	
Ottawa at Montreal, 7 p.m.	
WASHINGTON (3) V. NY RANGERS (6)	
Thursday's game	
NY Rangers at Washington, 7:30 p.m.	
Saturday's game	
NY Rangers at Washington, 12:30 p.m.	
BOSTON (4) VS. TORONTO (5)	
(Boston leads 1-0)	
Wednesday's result	
Boston 10 Toronto 1	
Saturday's game	
Toronto at Boston, 7 p.m.	
WESTERN CONFERENCE	
CHICAGO (1) VS. MINNESOTA (8)	
(Chicago leads 1-0)	
Tuesday's result	
Chicago 2 Minnesota 1 (OT)	
Friday's game	
Minnesota at Chicago, 9:30 p.m.	
ANAHEIM (2) VS. DETROIT (7)	
(Anaheim leads 1-0)	
Tuesday's result	
Anaheim 3 Detroit 1	
Thursday's game	
Detroit at Anaheim, 10 p.m.	
VANCOUVER (3) VS. SAN JOSE (6)	
Wednesday's result	
San Jose at Vancouver	
Friday's game	
San Jose at Vancouver, 10 p.m.	
ST. LOUIS (4) VS. LOS ANGELES (5)	
(St. Louis leads 1-0)	
Tuesday's result	
St. Louis 2 Los Angeles 1 (OT)	
Thursday's game	
Los Angeles at St. Louis, 9:30 p.m.	

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AMERICAN LEAGUE	
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Boston	19 8 .704 —
New York	17 10 .630 2
Baltimore	16 11 .593 3
Tampa Bay	12 15 .444 7
Toronto	10 18 .357 9½
CENTRAL DIVISION	
	W L Pct GB
Kansas City	15 10 .600 —
Detroit	15 11 .577 ½
Minnesota	12 12 .500 2½
Cleveland	12 13 .480 3
Chicago	11 15 .423 4½
WEST DIVISION	
	W L Pct GB
Texas	17 10 .630 —
Oakland	16 13 .552 2
Seattle	12 17 .414 6
Los Angeles	10 17 .370 7
Houston	8 20 .286 9½
Wednesday's results	
Boston 10 Toronto 1	
Minnesota 6 Detroit 2	
L.A. Angels 5 Oakland 4	
Chicago White Sox 5 Texas 2	
Kansas City 9 Tampa Bay 8	
N.Y. Yankees 5 Houston 4	
Cleveland 6 Philadelphia 0	
Tuesday's results	
Toronto 9 Boston 7	
Baltimore 7 Seattle 2	
Texas 10 Chicago White Sox 6	
Oakland 10 L.A. Angels 6	
Kansas City 8 Tampa Bay 2	
Cleveland 14 Philadelphia 2	
N.Y. Yankees 7 Houston 4	
Detroit 6 Minnesota 1	
NATIONAL LEAGUE	
Wednesday's results	
N.Y. Mets 7 Miami 6	
Pittsburgh 6 Milwaukee 4	
St. Louis 4 Cincinnati 2	
Washington 2 Atlanta 0	
Chicago Cubs 6 San Diego 2	
San Francisco at Arizona	
Colorado at L.A. Dodgers	

Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

Today's planetary picture urges you to enjoy the social side of life. You may have a long journey ahead of you but that does not mean you cannot pause to smell the flowers along the way.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

Why so uptight? Is it because you think a secret is being kept from you? It does not matter what the rest of the world is doing. It matters only what you are going to do next.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

You seem to be much in favour with loved ones and friends at the moment, which is good. But don't let their kind words and attention distract you from your most important tasks. There's work to be done.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Try to relax and take setbacks in your stride. There will always be things that don't work out the way you want them to — you'll never change that. What you can change is your own attitude. Be confident.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Someone you don't always get along with seems remarkably friendly at the moment. Is this a genuine change of heart or is it a trap? They just want to draw a line on the past.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Is someone at work causing you grief? If so it may be a situation of your own making. Try not to be quite so competitive today. Co-operation is the key to success.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

You seem to think that you alone know how to resolve a tricky situation. Maybe you do but it will still pay you to get other people involved, and that means listening to all opinions.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Now that Mercury has moved into your opposite sign, you should find it easier to reach out to people you know and those you will need to know to further your ambitions.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

It is always easy to see the worst in people but today you should look for the best in them. It's there, if you open your eyes wide enough to see. Look in the mirror and greet your own good side too.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

If someone asks what you think of something they have done today, tell them you think it's fantastic, even if you don't. They could do with a confidence boost and you're just the one to give it to them.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

The trick you need to master now is making others believe you are not as smart as you are. If rivals underestimate what you can do, you may catch them off guard and beat them to the prize.

Pisces

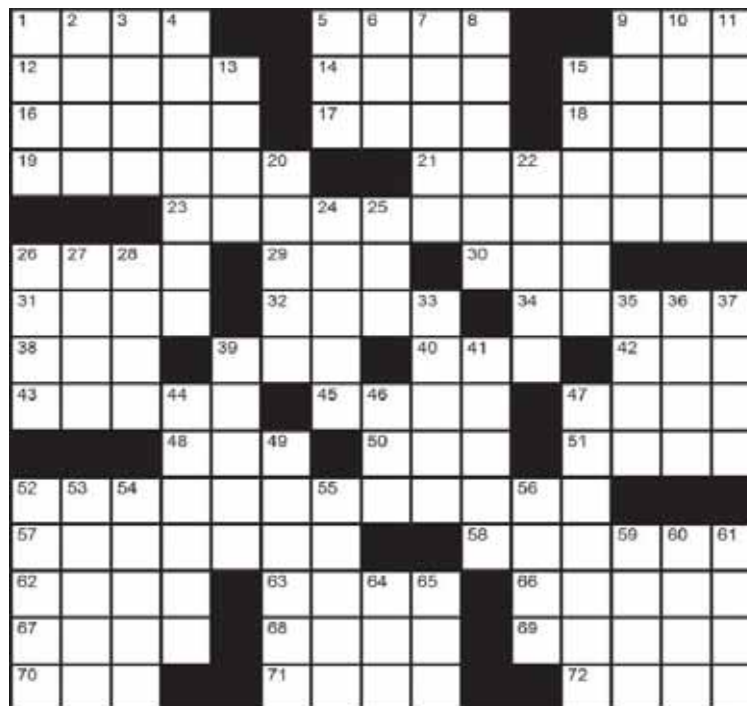
Feb. 20 - March 20

Modesty comes naturally to you and that's good because someone will go out of their way to talk you up. It's nice to be flattered, of course, but what is their motive? **SALLY ROMPTON**

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

- Catherine ___ (Henry VIII's sixth/last wife)
- Mr. Bunny
- Some computers and printers, e.g.
- "The Love Boat" bartender
- Swedish furniture store
- Hair: ___ Plus 2 in 1
- Flagstones-created retreat
- Horse gait
- Pinocchio, sometimes
- Witch's works
- "Umbrella" singer
- #99: 2 wds.
- Plant-growing pet
- Thor Heyerdahl's raft, ___Tiki
- Pastureland parent
- TV classic, "I Love ___"
- The 'E' in QED
- Archie Bunker's wife
- Gone*by
- Message regarding health or safety, e.g.
- "Dull" suffix
- Thought something was groovy
- High IQ society
- Price ___
- Tapestry thread
- Phone's 8 letters



- Part, puny-ly
- Chows down
- Eastern mountains stretching The States to Quebec/Maritimes
- ___ Falls, Ontario
- Second Cup servings
- Great dancer Mr. Kelly
- Exist

- Single-named songstress
- Decorated, as cupcakes
- 'Persist' suffix
- Mr. Savard, Hockey Hall of Famer
- Snake-like splasher
- Region [abbr.]
- Think, archaically

Down

- Singers for Gladys
- Hurried office memo letters
- Appraise
- Canadian National ___
- Fragment
- Kiev's li'l land
- Christopher Plummer film role, Captain

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- axe
- Ms. Jones of song
- 'Phenom' add-on
- Beach sighting
- Massive
- PC picture
- "Star Trek" star George
- Light bulb meaning!
- ___ of hair
- Tiny tallnesses
- Ms. Abdul
- Sceptre-holder's characteristic
- Put on, as plays
- Suffix with 'Ghoul'
- Canadian airline
- Scoundrel of yore
- Rolling Stones ballad
- Period ___ (Historic flick)
- ___ of experts (TV debate show guests)
- British actor Michael
- Captures
- Unit of pressure
- Cogito ___ sum (I think therefore I am)
- Distort
- Pre-DVD machine
- Always, fancy-style

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Yesterday's Sudoku



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